

CHAPTER 519.

(House Bill 235)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 495 and 690 of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1938 Edition), title "Baltimore City", sub-title "Criers, Bailiffs, Watchmen and Stenographers" and "Jurors", increasing the salaries of the court stenographers for the several courts of Baltimore City and the stenographer assigned to the Grand Jury of Baltimore City.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 495 and 690 of Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1938 Edition), title "Baltimore City", sub-title "Criers, Bailiffs, Watchmen and Stenographers" and "Jurors", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

495. The Judges of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City are authorized and directed to appoint from time to time as many court stenographers, not exceeding in number altogether the number of said judges, as shall in their discretion be required for the services of the several courts of Baltimore City, who shall be sworn officers of the court, and shall each be paid a salary of three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3,600) per annum when such stenographers shall be required to attend the courts regularly, or twelve dollars per diem for each day of actual employment when he shall be appointed to attend only when his services shall be specially required by the judges; the said salaries to be paid in like manner as the salaries of the other officers of the courts are now paid, as prescribed in Section 488. Every official court stenographer of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, including the stenographer assigned to the Grand Jury, who after having served twenty-five preceding consecutive years, shall attain the age of sixty-five years while in office, or shall have become physically or mentally incapacitated from performing the duties of court stenographer from ailments or accidents not resulting from any own misconduct, shall be entitled to retirement with a salary of \$1,000 per annum, payable as other official stenographers' salaries are now paid, provided that such retirement shall be evidenced by a satisfactory certificate approved by the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, directed to the Comptroller of the City of Baltimore, advising him of the retirement of the stenographer, and that said retirement is in accord with the provisions of this section.

690. Upon the organization of each grand jury, as provided for in the preceding section, and upon their request